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For: EXHAUST GAS PURIFYING SYSTEM FOR  
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MS AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 16, 2007, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes:

- Amendments to the Specification;
- Amended Claim Set;
- Amendments to the Drawings;
- Remarks; and
- Four (4) Replacement Drawing Sheets - Fig. 2, 6, 7, 8.